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SUBJECT:102ND UNESCO EXECUTIVE BOARD: ITEM 5.3.1:
INVITATIONS TO MEETING ON DRAFT DECLARATION ON RACE AND
RACIAL PREJUDICE

REFS: A) DOCUMENT 102 EX/14; B) STATE 82517

1. FOLLOWING INSTRUCTION REPLACES POSITION PAPER HAND-
CARRIED BY HEATER.

2. PROBLEM: TO APPROVE INVITATIONS PROPOSED BY THE
DIRECTOR GENERAL TO THE SUBJECT INTERGOVERNMENTAL MEETING.

3. UNITED STATES POSITION:

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A. USDEL SHOULD NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE DISCUSSION OF THIS
ITEM INSOFAR AS IT RELATES STRICTLY TO THE NATURE OF THE
MEETING. IF OTHER, EXTRANEOUS POLITICAL ISSUES ARE RAISED
CONCERNING THE ENTITIES INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
MEETING, USDEL SHOULD BE GUIDED BY PARA C, BELOW.

B. IF A VOTE IS TAKEN, USDEL SHOULD NOT PARTICIPATE.

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IF BOARD PROCEEDS TO DECISION BY MEANS OF CONSENS, HOWEVER
EVER, U.S. DEL AUTHORIZED ACQUIESCE (ASSUMING CONSENS

OTHERWISE ACCEPTABLE).
C. USDEL SHOULD OPPOSE ANY MOVE TO REFUSE INVITATIONS TO
NGOS ON POLITICAL GROUNDS AND SHOULD REFER TO THE
CONTINGENCY POSITION PAPER DEALING WITH THIS ITEM.

4. DISCUSSION:

A. IN JANUARY 1976 DEPT. DECIDED NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN
DRAFTING OF RACE AND RACIAL PREJUDICE DECLARATION BECAUSE
WE DID NOT FEEL THIS WAS A USEFUL EXERCISE AND, MORE
IMPORTANT, BECAUSE IT HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED IN 18TH GENERAL
CONFERENCE RESOLUTION AS ACTIVITY IN CONNECTION WITH
DECADE FOR ACTION TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINA-
TION, WHICH, IN TURN, HAD BEEN SERIOUSLY FLAWED BY UNGA
RES. 3379 EQUATING RACISM WITH ZIONISM.

B. AT 100TH BOARD MEETING LAST OCTOBER USDEL SUPPORTED
DIRECTOR GENERAL'S CALL FOR POSTPONEMENT BUT DID NOT
PARTICIPATE IN UNANIMOUS VOTE TO POSTPONE AND HAD ITS NON-
PARTICIPATION NOTED IN RECORD. USDEL'S ORAL EXPLANATION
FOR NON-PARTICIPATION CITED LINK WITH DECADE AND,
DERIVATIVELY, WITH RES. 3379. AT 19TH GENERAL CONFERENCE
LAST FALL USDEL ACQUIESCED IN ADOPTION BY CONSENSUS
OF RESOLUTION POSTPONING DRAFTING EXERCISE.

C. SINCE DEPT. IS IN PROCESS OF RE-EXAMINING POSITION ON
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PARTICIPATION IN BOTH DECADE AND UNESCO EXERCISE, WE WISH
TO BE AS INCONSPICUOUS AS POSSIBLE ON THIS ISSUE. AT SAME
TIME, WE WISH TO DOWNPLAY OUR PREVIOUS CRITICISM OF UTILITY
OF DECLARATION ON RACE AND RACIAL PREJUDICE BECAUSE IT IS
CLEAR THAT VAST MAJORITY OF MEMBER STATES BELIEVE SUCH
DECLARATION IS DESIRABLE. FYI: PRELIMINARY CONFIDENTIAL
REPORT OF U. S. MEMBER OF DIRECTOR GENERAL'S "WISE MEN"
GROUP, FORMER AMBASSADOR CLYDE FERGUSON, ENCOURAGES US TO
HOPE THAT FINAL OUTCOME ADOPTED BY GOVERNMENTS MAY AVOID
POLITICIZATION AND SERVE CONSTRUCTIVE PURPOSE. END FYI.
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